

Remarks

The Applicants have amended Claims 7 – 11, 19 and 20 to place them into proper multiple-dependent form. Examination on the merits is respectfully requested.

The Applicants acknowledge the restriction requirement dividing the Application into three groups, namely Group I, including Claims 2 and 3, Group II, including Claim 4, and Group III, including Claim 5.

The Applicants elect Group I, including Claims 2 and 3, with traverse. The Applicants respectfully submit that all of the groups should be considered together inasmuch as they all have the common feature of a composition comprising PPS and PO. In fact, we respectfully submit that the grouping of the claims is exactly the same in all three groups set forth in the restriction requirement. Specifically, all of Claims 2 – 5 are “drawn to a thermoplastic resin structure formed from a composition comprising polyphenylene sulfide and polyolefin” irrespective of whether the claims are set forth in Groups I, II or III. Withdrawal of the restriction requirement and examination of all of the claims on the merits is accordingly respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,


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